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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 THE HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENSE
11 CENTER,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES, et al.,

15 Defendants.

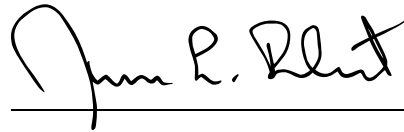
CASE NO. C18-1442JLR

ORDER GRANTING
STIPULATED MOTION AND
FINDING GOOD CAUSE TO
VACATE A PRIOR ORDER AND
TO DELAY ISSUING A
SCHEDULING ORDER

16 Before the court is the parties' stipulated motion asking the court to vacate the
17 deadlines set forth in its November 2, 2018, order setting a schedule for the parties'
18 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f) conference, initial disclosures, and submission of a
19 joint status report. (Stip. Mot. (Dkt # 15); *see also* 11/2/18 Order (Dkt. # 14).) Based on
20 the parties' submission, the court (1) GRANTS their motion (Dkt. # 15); (2) FINDS good
21 cause to vacate its November 2, 2018, order (Dkt. # 14) and to delay the issuance of a
22 scheduling order in this matter, *see* Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(2) (permitting the court to delay

1 issuing a scheduling order upon a finding of good cause); Local Rules W.D. Wash. LCR
2 16(a) (permitting a delay in the submission of a joint status report upon a finding of good
3 cause); and (3) RELEASES the parties from their initial disclosure requirements under
4 Rule 26(a)(1) and their discovery plan obligations under Rule 26(f), *see* Fed. R. Civ. P.
5 26(a)(1), (f). The court also ORDERS the parties to submit a joint status report as
6 described in their stipulated motion (Dkt. # 15) no later than January 14, 2019.

7 Dated this 29th day of November, 2018.

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10 JAMES L. ROBART
11 United States District Judge
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